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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a response to the Office Action mailed November 22, 2006 for the above-identified application.

No fee is believed due. However, if any fee is due the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account No. 11-0600 for such fees. A copy of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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This Response is filed responsive to the Final Office Action of May 02, 2006 and November 22, 2006 37 CFR §1.121 Notice, in connection with the above-captioned application. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.